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I think the settlement came too early.

I know of at least two products which, according to their tech support people, "require" Internet Explorer to operate. These are Dragon Naturally Speaking (a speech-to-typing program) and Adaptec Easy CD Creater.

The fact is these program may rely on some DLLs installed when IE is installed, but they certainly do not require, or even necessarily use IE in their operation.

I suspect this insistance that IE is a "requirement" indicates collusion.